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LETTER DATED 8 JULY 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continue to violate Iraqi airspace, as follows:

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1. American air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 5/6 July 1991 amounted to three sorties (one two-aircraft formation and one solo sortie). The aircraft flew at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at medium altitude.

2. Air activity was concentrated over Dohuk, Amadiyah and the north of Mosul, for the purpose of observation and provocation.

II

1. American air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 6/7 July 1991 amounted to 12 sorties flown by six two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 720 kilometres per hour and at low and medium altitudes.

2. Air activity centred over Mosul, Dohuk, Zakho and Tall Afar, for the purpose of observation and provocation.

III

1. American air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 7/8 July 1991 amounted to 17 sorties (eight two-aircraft formations and one solo sortie). The aircraft flew at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at low and medium altitudes.

2. Air activity was concentrated over Mosul, Arbil and Dohuk, for the purpose of observation and provocation, with low-altitude flights over Sadd al-Mawsil.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
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